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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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Except for PCT/WO02/057122, the references were cited in a counterpart foreign application. An English language version of the foreign search report is attached for the Examiner's information.

English-language Abstracts of the non-English language references are attached hereto.

U.S. Patent Nos. 6244394, 5542513, 6213259 and 4245139 also cited in the Search Report were already submitted for consideration by the Examiner on August 28, 2003. Thus, copies of these references are no longer being submitted.

Respectfully Submitted,

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